



Tri-Village Sermon Discussion Questions

Topic: *Athens- Sharing Your Testimony*

Text: Acts 17:16-34

Service Date: October 19, 2025

Note: The questions are only a starting point for discussion. Don't hesitate to modify, adapt, or highlight only specific ones to fit your group and/or personal study.

Getting Started

- Take a moment to read Acts 17:16-34 as a group. From the text, Sunday's sermon, or our recent Formation Journal devotions, how did God speak to your heart?
- Every person has a recent testimony or God-working moment. Your recent testimony doesn't have to be some dramatic life changing event. It may be a simple way in which God worked to provide, open a door, or protect you. It's important to not only take time to acknowledge Him working but learn to articulate this to others. In your life recently, what's one testimony/God-working moment you could share with someone if they asked how you've seen God working recently? (Do you understand how this small moment could be a way to share your faith to someone?)

Sermon Discussion

- What does it practically look like to "earn respect" in your current season of life—at work, school, or home?
- Have you ever seen someone's actions either strengthen or weaken their Christian witness? What stood out to you?
- What are some habits or attitudes in your life that could either build or undermine your credibility as a Christian witness?
- Read 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12. What do you think it means to live a "quiet life" as described in the passage? How does that relate to evangelism?
- Paul adjusted his approach depending on who he was speaking to during that moment. What are some "bridges" you could build with people who don't share your faith? (Is there something that could help the process such as inviting them to share a meal, going out for coffee, sending an encouraging email/text, etc.?)
- Have you ever experienced a time when you were able to connect your faith to someone's interests, background, or struggles? How did it go?

- What cultural, relational, or generational differences make it difficult to share your faith, and how might you find common ground?
 - In today's culture, where do you think the "unknown gods" are—those areas of spiritual searching that can serve as starting points for gospel conversations?
 - When was the last time you felt nervous or afraid to talk about your faith? What held you back—or helped you push through?
 - Why is it important to communicate the gospel clearly, even if we risk rejection or discomfort? How can we prepare ourselves to do that well?
 - Paul wasn't always "successful" in worldly terms. How do you define success when it comes to sharing your faith?
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This Week's Action Response

- In what area of your life do you need more courage to live out your faith or share your testimony? How can the group help you in that?
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Upcoming Impact Opportunities (tri-village.org/events)

- Serve at Trunk or Treat- Sun., Oct. 26, 4-6pm (tri-village.org/trunkortreat); candy still needed.
 - Activities with Residents at Tuscany Gardens Care Center- Wed., Nov. 5, 6-7pm
 - Caroling at Nursing Homes- Wed., Dec. 3, 5:30-7pm
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Join Us for 40 Days of Prayer (tri-village.org/40daysofprayer) October 27 – December 5

Step into a powerful season of intentional prayer and spiritual renewal. From October 27 through December 5, we invite you to commit to 40 days of focused prayer—seeking God's guidance, peace, and purpose in our lives, our communities, and the world. Whether you're praying individually, with family, or as part of a group, this is a sacred opportunity to draw closer to God and stand together in faith. Let's believe for transformation—one prayer at a time.

Available Prayer Space- Every Monday during the 40 Days of Prayer, the Sanctuary will be open from 7am to 7pm. There will be no set agenda, just a place where you can come and quiet your heart while you pray.

Visit tri-village.org/40daysofprayer for more info, resources, and to submit a prayer testimony.